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**Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management; Safe Transportation and Emergency Response Training; Technical Assistance and Funding**

**AGENCY:** Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice extending comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On Thursday, May 16, 1996, the Department of Energy (the Department) published a Notice of proposed policy and procedures (61 FR 24772) that set forth its plans for implementing a program of technical and financial assistance to states for training public safety officials of appropriate units of local government and to Indian tribes through whose jurisdiction the Department plans to transport spent nuclear fuel or high-level radioactive waste. The training would cover both safe routine transportation procedures and emergency response procedures as directed in Section 180(c) of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 10101 *et seq.*). The comment period for this Notice of proposed policy and procedures was scheduled to close on August 15, 1996.

Today's notice announces a 45-day extension of the comment period on the proposed policy statement discussed in the Notice. The Department is taking this action in response to requests for an extension of the comment period.

**DATES:** Written comments should be sent to the Department and must be received on or before September 30, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be directed to: Corinne Macaluso, U.S. Department of Energy, c/o Lois Smith, TRW Environmental Safety Systems, Inc., 600 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Suite 695, Washington, D.C. 20024, ATTN.: Section 180(c) Comments.

Persons submitting comments should include their names and addresses. Receipt of comments in response to the Notice will be acknowledged if a stamped, self-addressed postal card or envelope is enclosed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information on the transportation of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act, please contact: Ms. Corinne Macaluso, Environmental and Operational Activities, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, (RW-45), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, Telephone: 202-586-2837.

Information packets are available for interested persons who want background information about the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management transportation program and the Section 180(c) program prior to providing comments. To receive an information packet, please call 1-800-225-NWPA (or call 202-488-6720 in Washington, D.C.) or write to the National Information Center, 600 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Suite 695, Washington, D.C. 20026 or the Yucca Mountain Science Center, 4101B Meadows Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada 89107.

Copies of comments received will be available for examination and may be photocopied at the Department's Public Reading Room at 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 1E-190, Washington, D.C.

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*Deputy Director, Office of Civilian  
Radioactive Waste Management.*

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**Office of Energy Research**

**Health and Environmental Research Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Research, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the Health and Environmental Research Advisory Committee.

**DATES:** Tuesday, September 10, 1996, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Wednesday, September 11, 1996, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Holiday Inn-Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20815.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Benjamin Barnhart, Designated Federal

Official, Health and Environmental Research Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Energy, ER-70, GTN, Germantown, Maryland 20874, Telephone Number: 301-903-3683.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Meeting:* To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director of Energy Research of the Department of Energy on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the health and environmental research program.

*Tentative Agenda*

Tuesday, September 10, 1996, and Wednesday, September 11, 1996

- Welcome Remarks
- Opening of Meeting
- Remarks by the Director of the Office of Energy Research
- Office of Health and Environmental Research Program Overview: Scope, Issues, Budget
- Review of Office of Health and Environmental Research Programs
- Review of Subcommittee Activities
- New Business
- Public Comment (10-minute rule)

*Public Participation:* The two-day meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Benjamin Barnhart at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral statements must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statement in the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

*Transcripts:* The transcript of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

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